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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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This is a **request for continued examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 10/080,647, filed on February 22, 2002, entitled **DISTRIBUTED DIGITAL SIGNATURE GENERATION METHOD AND DIGITALLY SIGNED DIGITAL DOCUMENT GENERATION METHOD AND APPARATUS**.

The following constitute the submission **required** by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

- ☒ X Reply AMENDMENT AFTER A FINAL OFFICE ACTION.
☐ Information Disclosure Statement
☐ Drawing Changes
☐ Other Submission: _____

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached Amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	MINUS	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA*	RATE (\$) PER CLAIM	FEE (\$)
BASIC FEE						790.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	3	20	26	0	50.00	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	3	14	0	0.00	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					300.00	
				Number extra must be zero or larger	TOTAL	790.00
If Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.						SMALL ENTITY TOTAL

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2. Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of **\$790.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number 11-0600**.
3. This is also a Petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) by which Applicant(s) respectfully request(s) a two-month extension of time to extend the time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed on March 31, 2006 by two months from June 30, 2006 to August 31, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$450.00** to the deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized, as necessary and/or appropriate, to charge payment of any other fees (including any additional and/or extension fees) required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**.
5. **Two duplicate copies** of this Transmittal Form and Petition are enclosed for the above purposes.

Dated: 8/25/2006

Respectfully submitted,

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